Richmond, Virginia
Dear S. [illegible],

With the pleasure last week of visiting you a short time, and the honor of receiving several of your letters for which you will please accept my thanks.

I notice this morning what cannot sustain me much that another is put in your place by the cause of our dear friend or territory. The distinction you have won for yourself in that position will only shine the brighter through the cloud which with your presence have been so bright and sought to observe. Cherish the hope of patience in your case which a claim heart always retains, alive, though sometimes almost put out, and all will yet be well. I have not here able ever to be a successful politician, though loved and respected by the people, because...
I have always been opposed to having Caney, whose tyranny is as much detested by me as any other tyranny. I have always been willing to unite in and to operate with a party organization granted by freedom or choice of men to serve the party and the country. Now I am of the opinion that the greatest principle of the Caney, which is to constrain the people who have no power or lost in them, to consider every man a traitor who was not a slave in it, would have the effect of shelving great men that little ones might be active in the office of State. I am fully of the opinion that if the word is given, the other has the loyalty, since your recent success in the late election in your State, and your record and apparent in your behalf.

I am your faithful citizen,
With respect, yours,
A. G. Mefferd
R. H. Collier
Petersburg
Virginia
Dec. 11, 1858

Political - Laudatory
JONESBORO, Tenn.
Dec. 10, 1858.

Rev. M. McConnell,

Dear Sir:

We, the undersigned, purpose publishing in the town of Jonesboro, Washington County, East Tennessee, a Douglas paper; and as we wish to publish a first-class paper, it will be necessary that a great deal of expense not only in purchasing the materials, but also in conducting the enterprise, we would suggest to you and through you in a confidential manner, that if the friends of Douglas can it will give us some assistance (which we cannot go on without) we will at once commence the enterprise.

You will see at once that a paper such as we propose publishing here in Tennessee, will have a great and incalculable bearing in securing for Judge Douglas & Otto of S. Carolina the nomination for President & Vice President at the coming Convention to be held in Charleston.

This is the central portion of the Country and is as much as two other Assistant
for political purposes in the presidential line, Brown & Johnson, hail from this State, its enterprise will at once give them a chance to injure their popularity abroad as well as at home.

It has always been customary with the friends of individuals to favor an effort of this kind, and more especially do we think that we should be encouraged in the present instance when so much is to be gained by this killing off both Brown & Johnson by the own neighbors, a show of Southernness that we, the Democracy of the South, as well as those of the North, appreciate it is a great honor as well. 

It will be proper as one goes to a stranger, to you that a reference should be given, (which can be done without explaining or even intimating the agent in view). We must refer you to Col. L.C. Haynes, Hon. W.B. Taylor, both of Elizabeth, Carter County, Kentucky, Hon. J.P. Hallock, (Chancellor of the Eastern Circuit of Tennessee) Jonesboro, Tennessee, to S.B. Cunningham & A.B. Stewart, President & Vice President of the East Line & Va. R.R. Co. Iron City.
How do I know what is
preparing to be done at L.B., Leningrad.
I know the writer well and he
knows you, so he may be asked whether
the subject of this proposal paper
may be read upon the meeting
cornel.
J. Gunnison & Co.
(Real Estate Brokers)
Rochester
New York
Dec 12th, 1858

[Signature]

J. Gunnison.

Dr. A. Mandeville.

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will be made in view of incumbrances on the property sold, or nature of the
fee received.

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Real Estate for sale or exchange, will receive prompt and faithful attention.
After a several years' experience in this office, and being persuaded that in the
judgment of the community we have a permanent and honorable institution of
public utility, as a general depository and medium for the negotiation of Real
Estate, we are permitted to refer to the following gentlemen, viz:

Maj. H. S. Allis, late Postmaster at Rochester; Hon. J. T. Lacy; Hon.
Kempshall; W. H. Creasy, Esq., President of the Eagle Bank; Danforth
& Terry, Counselors at Law, and J. B. Bennett, Esq. C. H. Clark, Mayor.

September, 1858.
Mr. J. A. Douglas

We write to ask you consent to place your name among our references, on a new course which we are about to issue.

We are aware that you may regard it as a somewhat singular request, but from the consideration that we are thoroughly sustained here where we are best known—also that we are doing business in the Western states, Illinois, with the most of our trade that you will with reason our request as unreasonable, we feel to grant it.

Respectfully yours

Rochester, N.Y. Dec. 12, 1858
F. C. Herberger  
corner of 4th & Noblet St.  
Philadelphia  
Dec. 11th 1858

Wish to know if the  
Judge will deliver a  
lecture before the "Harrisons  
Literary Institute" on the  
29th Jan'y 1859.

N. W. Cor. 41t & Noble St.  
Philadelphia Dec. 11th 58

Hon. Stephen A. Douglas  
N. Orleans Soc.

Dear Sir,

The Harrision Literary Institute, desirous of adding their mite towards the advancement of useful knowledge, and at the same time to secure to themselves the means to enrich their own library, have concluded to give annually a course of two or more lectures. Our first lecture by Hon. Horace Greeley has already been delivered. The second one it has been determined upon shall take place in January next. The committee appointed,

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to carry out their design and to secure the services of a talented and popular gentleman, would respectfully solicit you to inform them if your engagements will admit of lecturing before our Institute on Thursday evening January 27th, 1859. Requesting your early reply, it remains yours very respectfully.

J. K. Koelbing

Chimd.
Rooms Morris Literary Institute

Philad. Dec 11. 1866

Stephen A. Douglas Esq.
Dear Sir,

Being desirous of having you to lecture this winter for the benefit of our Institution, we would respectfully request an answer stating terms and time most convenient for you. It would add materially to us both in a pecuniary as well as a literary view, and we hope our request will meet with a favorable response, as we are young, new and wise of promoting literature. As you have never lectured in our city we think that if it is the wish not only of our own but of nearly the whole city, for you to give a lecture, on such a subject as Popular Sovereignty.

Yours very respectfully,

G. W. Macnamy
Committee on Lectures

Address G. W. Macnamy
341 Market St.
Philad.
G. W. Mcnelly
314 Market St.
Phil. Pa.
Dec. 11, 1858

Requesting the Judge
to deliver a lecture this winter on "Popular
Sovereignty," before the
Mondo Literary Institute.
Pittston, Dec 11, 58

My dear friend,

You have not forgotten, I hope, my prediction the first session you were in Congress, upon the occasion of your reply to a barrage from Mr. Giddings, that, with ordinary discretion, you would, one day, occupy the White House. Things now seem to me to be converging to that point. The clouds are breaking up which have covered upon the Democratic party the past two years, and we shall have a glorious Sun rise in 1961.

Now, take a look at me—having been intending against to have any political or personal whatever—but take an intimate spectator of passing events, and therefore leave a right to counsel you.

The Clerk Member of the Senate have just submitted a report on precedent outrage upon you, that expect you to suit to them. Give them fits—try to—Don't gratify them. Treat the Matter with dignified Contempt, and the Authors as if nothing had occurred.
Now, in regard to your associates. Let
them be neither more select [I mean
those who are the most intimate with
you]. Make, at the same time, you rule
of course, meet all your friends with
your old customers, your home and
credibility. You must expect to
be reminded of these at intervals of
course. Take care that the accounts
do not have a loop to hang a Charter
upon — the Charter.pdf. And 20
Baratres — (Where suspects
launship as a close). You must carry
the Charleston Convention Light and

Now, dear Douglas, take care of
yourself, but be a soldier in appearance.
If you have many friends, I have been
regular.

Faithfully yours,
Your friend,

Mr. H. Smith
W. H. Douglas.
Nov. Albert Smith  
Baton  
Dec. 11th, 1868  
Political - relative to  
Chairmanship of Territorial Committee.
Morton Dec 11, 1858

My dear Captain,

Thank your favor of the 9th for which I am greatly obliged. The message is a very respectable document showing a fair resume of the affairs of the nation the past year. There may be a difference of opinion in regard to the acquisition of Cuba. While some may agree with me that it should be annexed to the U.S. by negotiation or purchase, others contend that we take it by arms – I still others, that we should want Cuba on any terms whatever. What the State of Kansas is well enough to time perhaps. For if a majority of the people had voted to accept the Lecompton Constitution, the question (as the Major says) would have been sooner settled for the very good reason that Kansas, would, ipso facto, have become a State at once. I do not object to his silence on the Clayton/Bulwer Treaty. What is the use of continually keeping before us these questions of dabling in troubled waters?

Douglas ought to treat the concerns of
of the Senate in leaving him off from a position he has so long held in a Committee with Mr. John Contwright – He ought not to do so as you seem to think he will. Give them a" That is what they deserve at their own expense. Let them bear the brunt of it."

I shall rely upon your very marked desire to help. I advise of current events at the Capitol. Moore is a hero as is Brack or Sander.

Give my respects regarding to Geo. Whipple – Here is the Deplorable Candidate in 1861. We would elect him by acclamation.

Love to Martha.

Yours truly,

Albert Wright
John Albert Smith
Boston
Dec 1858

Advising to treat cancers
removal of one or both
endophytic
Lebanon, Laclede County, Missouri
December 11, 1858

Hon. J.H. Douglass,

You will permit me although personally a stranger to you to address you this note. I saw and heard you some years ago in the City of St. Louis. The liberties are asked of you as a public man and a national one. Perhaps no man in the nation has prospects of being elected to the Presidential chair. But as you will in all probability be the candidate of the great Democratic party, the next contest for the Presidency and have to meet and defeat all the issues of the day, based on by Black Republicanism. It will be necessary to harmonize all the Democratic elements in the country in order to effect that I hope that you will find consistent with your feelings to sustain the general policy of the Administration since the people of Kansas has settled for themselves only point of issue between the Admin-istration and yourselves. Now let me I am a national democrat, sustaining the administration but sympathizing with you looking upon the disagreement of you and the President as unfortunate at the time. But I am not prepared to say should you now sustain the administration but that it is well for the Democratic party and the country that you took the cause you did. You have at least vindicated your self before your own people and made many friends in the nation. It will be necessary for you to pursue a course that will make the party a unit if you can not bring about that result I know, no one in the nation who
Carn. You must tender the olive branch to the President and if necessary justify yourself before the nation by a high national course. I hope you and our beloved Senator J. B. Green may be found shoulder to shoulder in every great national measure. Hoping that your course will be such that with you as the democratic leader we will break down all opposition and utterly annihilate Black Republicanism. Excuse this note from so humble an individual as myself only unnumbered am one of the true signs.

Yours truly,

S. W. Wood
Liberty Dec. 12 1854

To Hon. Stephen A. Douglas—Dear Sir: I am happy to hear of your recovery—indeed I am.

You have numerous friends in this State who will not desert you—I will send you to the Gazette a paper published this week, which I am sure will be acceptable to you.
Any public documents you may send me will be thankfully received. You will direct them to Bernard Harrington, Printer, Liberty, Texas. Respt. B Harrington.
Mr. McCornick
Jacksonville
Illinois
Dec. 12, 1854

Makes to borrow 20 or 25 copies of the forthcoming biography of Judge D., wherein to start in the business of selling that book throughout the state.

Beardstown, Ill. Dec. 12th, 1854

My dear sir,

I notice through the papers of the state that you are having your biography published in Chicago. My book has been selling well in the State for the last four years by subscription, and would be happy to include in the sale of the book and would be happy to include in the sale of the book and wish to receive a favor from you. If you would like very much for you to supply me with a few copies of the book or a small amount of money for the sum of twenty dollars until I can get a loan on the business. My health has been poor for the last five months and my capital is reduced down to almost nothing and if you will supply me with one I will be ten thousand times obliged.
I am writing to tell you about the

affair of my father's

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affair of my father's
NORRIS, Hamilton Co., Ohio Dec. 8th 1858

Mr. Stephen A. Douglas

Though not personally known to you, I take the liberty to give you my sympathy, and to say that I heartily approve of your course as a Statesman, especially in relation to the doctrine of popular sovereignty. The Lecompton question could not inter

vention as it respects slavery in the Territories and the object of my writing is to inform you that I am a Citizen of Clermont Co., Mo., on a visit here at present with my wife and family among new relatives; you will see by the returns of the late election in this State that Clermont County is one of the strongholds of the Republican Party. And I have asked the question frequently of leading and intelligent Republicans what would probably be the course of those Democrats that have voted Republican ticket in the elections for the last two years in the event that you should be the nominee of the National Convention for the presidency in '60, and the invariable answer has been that they would uniformly sustain you for that office. I think it likely that this would be the case through out the Northern States. I think that we ought to courageously and confidently believe that the late elections in the Northern and Western States appro


No opinion of what the popular feeling would be in the event, we had again an exponent and representative of the principles of popular sovereignty and non-intervention as it respects slavery in the Territories, for our Champion and Leader. However this may be, we can have the approval of our own judgment and I am not bold to believe that she will have it of the reflecting and just-minded of all parties. Be assured that my hearty concurrence in your views and that no one thing of a temporal nature could afford me more gratification than to be instrumental in placing you in a position where you could practically demonstrate the justice, equity, and justice of your views on these exciting questions.

I am Very Respectfully,

Alpheus Phelps

P.S. If you have any favors to return in the way of Con-announcements Patent Office reports &c. I will be very grateful to be the recipient of them. But I can not approver of the course of our own Represen-

P.S. Address Milleniumtown Lewis Co.

W.
Adolphus Phelps
Norrwich
Hann Co
Dec. 12, Ohio

Mr. Stephen A. Douglas
M.E. Washington City

Free

Havana
Dec. 16, 1858
To the Hon. S. J. Douglas Senator.

Dear Sir,

Politically, the prevailing feeling appears to be one of rejoicing at your success, or in other words, the lion of Democracy. Your triumph is truly a grand one, and so nobly, so boldly and so successfully have you fought it against such a fearful opposition that the greate heart of the nation throbs with joy with your own. Not only do you find sympathy in Cass county, but a warm heart in allmost every cabin in the land rejoices at your triumph.

The republican party, the greate enemy of popular soverainty, has claimed Cass county for its own, but wee democrats do not believe it and will not till wee see the lines drawn and again battle fought. I can't believe that misrepresented and falsehood even could prejudice an enlightened citizenship like that of Cass county against those greate Champions who have not only boldly fought for and firmly established their right.
In the next election let the issue be made at all events and ever will abide the result, believing all ways that the right will triumph, and popular sovereignty indicated by the squall of Nebraska. Financial matters here are pretty hard, but we know the hard times do not weigh so heavily upon us as upon other less favored localities. You are as proud to know that you are living in a country which has certain great resources of its own, which the moneyed is cannot affect. As long as the sun shines and the rain falls, and the earth continues to yield and her continent, nobody will say our county is going to yield. With all her many inferior, advantages continue to prosper. The days of the mining man are yet in. The forces and necessitates encourage all to look up and be of good cheer the hardest time now soon come. There will be great migration to the newly discovered gold fields in the spring on South fork of Platte. The ores near the mines are very productive and one will be able to locate a mine and earn some money by mining and sell one by my partner and price is of a good quality, 23 and 30, at $1.50 per ton.
I lived in Pekin a long time
and have supported you in all your
senatorial campaigns except the last,
and would then could it be possible
Judge perhaps I am intruding on your dignity
and honor but I cant help it
please excuse my penmanship and errors
With due respect yours
e.

J. Horley

Plattsburgh,
Cap Co.

To the
Hon. S. A. Douglas of Ill.

Plattsburgh

Cap Co.

P. W. Nickel

Plattsburgh

Cap Co.
Santa Fe, New Mexico
Dec 13th 1858

Hon. S. A. Douglas
U.S. Senator

Sirs,

This will be handed to you by Genl. Polk, the Surveyor General for this Territory. This gentleman, so far as I am informed, has discharged his duties in put any arduous and important office to the general satisfaction of the inhabitants of New Mexico. Any attention or consideration you may see proper to give him will be gratefully received by him and acknowledged by me. Herorpor himself to me warmly in your favor. At this I have the honor to be your obt. Sev.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]

Kirby B. Jones
Kitz Benedict
Santo Fe
Mexico
Sec. 13.
In relation to
Geo. Pelham
Lafayette, Tippecanoe County, Indiana, Dec 13th 1858

Hon. J. Q. Douglas
Dear Sir,

I take the privilege to ask a favor of you, while Congress is in session, it is this plea to send as many public documents as convenient to the names you find below, as we are all strong advocates of the true principles and success of the Democrat party. Union of the States and I must say you gained many warm friends in this section of the union. By the time you published in the Senate last winter in the campaign in your own State last summer, by whipping out republicanism.
I must say to our Honorable Senator J. P. Bright has been very clever to send 110 public documents he did not send your speech or address and others with I would like to have seen to see you differ on the Kansas question. If you send document direct address Jesse Coaker Lafayette Ind.

John Taylor Lafayette Ind.
Silvergo Taylor Lafayette Ind.
Hiram Taylor Lafayette Ind.
John P. Stidham Lafayette Ind.
Thomas J. Stidham Lafayette Ind.
James B. Beauxis Lafayette Ind.

So I remain yours with high respect
Jesse Coaker
Pope Cobb
Lafayette
Tippecanoe Co.
Indiana
Dec. 13th, 1838

Grant speeches 
& 
Give a list of other 
Democrats to whom 
they should be sent.
England has again bribed Louis Napoleon, as she did in the Crimea war against Russia, to join her to establish a new monarchy in the Island of Cuba for the sister of the Queen of Spain, married with the Duke of Montpensier. England, France and Spain agree in the re-conquest of Mexico, to raise a new throne on the broken Empire of Iturbide, either for a Coburg or a Bonaparte. Nero fiddled while Rome was burning. President Buchanan is very busy preparing the Negro Question—the old black serpent of evil of the country—for the next Message. In the event of a mock resistance by the pro-slavery Cabinet, England, France, Spain & Co. will treat us with broadsides from sixty three Deckers under English and French flags. The old reprobate, Lord Palmerston, was the first slave of Louis Napoleon. The British-Israelite Ministry of D'Israeli, Derby & Co., is in body and soul sold to Louis Napoleon. How many "shell nuts" we have to cope with—the three Deckers of England and France. A Regent has been appointed in Prussia because the drunkard King is crazy. Has Congress the power to compel a President to resign? What will Judge Douglas say to this? The country will not die—but the Republic may die.

ET CETERA.
She was pretty. Her dark hair, black eyes, well-defined nose, rosy cheeks, and pretty lips, were those that one might very easily fall in love with, while her gay and artless manner compensated amply for any deficiency of beauty. Her free and happy laugh with her black eyes sparkling beneath her almost closed eyelids, was calculated to give one the contagion of her own happy and joyous spirit.

The first time I met Bertha was in one of the coaches which run to the northern part of the city of P——. Our eyes more than once met as we rode over the long route, and when she raised her delicate hand to the strap I anticipated her; and thanking me kindly she left at—— street. I thought then that that was the first and last time I should ever see her.

The Methodist church being near our house, I would some time, when tired, as I was lame, go there instead of walking to my own which was some distance off. — One night I saw Bertha enter and pass up the isle, taking a seat nearly opposite me. I could scarcely believe my eyes. I had
Congress has at last adjourned, after making the people pay eighty millions of dollars for democratic extravagance, during the financial year. This may be called going a-head in democratic luxuries. Well, after all, we shall have no more public scandal, and no more bad examples in the Senate, until December next, when Congress will meet again for the same purpose.

The other day in the Senate, the Hon. Senator Gwinn called the Hon. Senator Wilson, a demagogue, slanderer, and coward; and Senator Wilson called Senator Gwinn a thief; but amongst honorable gentlemen all these things are smoke; Senator Gwinn is no more a thief; and Senator Wilson is no more a demagogue, a slanderer or a coward. Glad of it. The two honorable gentlemen are again good friends. In fact we are so used to the gallantries which are displayed every day in Congress, that we look upon them as a portion of the business of each session.
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Best Kiln Dried Live Geese FEATHERS.

All of the above will be sold at the very closest cheapest Prices!

Thomaston, May 5, 1858

9 l'y
Broadway St., Dec. 13, 59

Dear Mr. Carr

I am very much surprised and disappointed to hear that you are not coming to Curridochie. I trust that you will make a successful journey.

I hope you can settle satisfactorily. I will write your people of this country, as always, to Curridochie Church. I am glad I had a chance (my family name) to try my hand, but none of these things. I hope they will do well. The two were written just as they will be printed. Please return this letter to me and let me know what you will do to me.

I am sorry for the trouble, but I am trying to do the best I can for my country. I have seen many improvements in this country, and I feel that I have done my part. I will try to make it as much as possible. I hope you will write me as soon as possible.

Yours ever,

J. Mackenzie Carr
Dr. Ricardo Correa,
Reading,
Pa
Jan 13th 1858
Santa Fe, N. Mexico
Nov. 13th 1858

Hon. Stephen A. Douglas
Washington City
Sir,

Allow me to congratulate you on your glorious victory, and introduce to you my friend and your devoted admirer, Surveyor General Mr. Pelham, of this Territory.

Any attention on your part will be duly appreciated.

Your friend,

[Signature]

H. S. Arny
Sient. W. Craig,
Sante Fe,


Introducing

Gm. M. Pelham
Canton, Fulton County, Illinois Dec 13 1858
Mrs. L. A. Douglas

Dear Sir: I hope you will not forget to send them books you promised to your Best Friend Judge Henry Whipple. I told him that you promised me to send him those books. He will highly appreciate them and he will be looking for them. Respectfully yours.

Washington, Thursday.

If we have not the eagle and they are ours, Perry.
Washington Hardcetto
Canton
Fulton County
Illinois
Dec. 13th 1858

Wishes that the doctor promised to Judge Henry
Nipple may be sent.
Mr. Carnuel, Oct.

Dec. 15th, 1858.

Hon. S. W. Douglas,

Senator &c.

Washington D.C.

Gentlemen:

Permit me to address you a few lines in relation to the demonstration here on the 29th October, at which time we were assured you would be with us to address us on the topic of the day.

A few days prior to the time when we expected you we held a preliminary meeting in which a delegation was appointed to meet you on the 28th at Lawrenceville and accompany you on the evening of the 29th to this place, by order of the meeting I had charge of the committee. We went up to Lawrenceville but found that an
event, one of two or three thousand persons who had assembled here to meet you had been disappointed and were dispersing, and to crown the misfortune it was impossible to ascertain by telegraph the cause of your absence. I waited at Lawrenceville until the arrival of U.S. R. of the can eastward bound when as you did not arrive I went over to Unionville to telegraph and ascertain the cause of your failure in attendance, but was unable to find your address. In the morning I returned to Lawrenceville and together with the others of the committee started for home. We passed through a flock of people on the road on their way down here to meet with us, but on learning that you would not be present they returned to their homes. Then within one mile of this place we met the people, your constituency coming out to meet us. The procession consisted of at least four thousand persons, the best citizens of Wabash, White, Edwards, and Wayne, and many from Indiana. In the procession were two paper bands, the Mount Carmel, and the one of Carmel, White County, innumerable elegant farmers with bonnets appropriate to the occasion, to you, and to your cause were carried along and spread above the procession, whose rear was brought up by a (fifteen pounder) cannon, which was being loaded and fired as fast as an expert cannonier could load and fire. The procession was over one
mile long. The largest and most enthusiastic I have ever known in this place. I assure you it was no pleasant duty that devolved on me, acquainting the assembly with the fact of your absence, it was, however, attended to. The news fell heavily on the vast assemblage, but they thought that something unavoidable must be the cause of your absence. The people, however, had an able advocate of your doctrines in our Representative, Hon. S. S. Marshall who was present and addressed them from 1 o'clock until 5 in a manner which did ample justice to the cause, and I believe, gained to its adherents.

I'm still here from this that you were looked for with interest and preparation was made for your reception.
Mr. Warrism
Mr. Carmel
Illinois
Dec. 13th, 1858

Sir,

Description of the meeting whereupon to meet Judge D. at Mr. Carmel on 29th Oct.

asking why he did not come.

The map of this section, even those who voted the Republican ticket are with you in sentiment.

many have been cheated into voting against you. By believing those who have trusted your friends or who have given an incorrect account of the principles you advocate while you gave to Lincoln the name of advocating those principles, which he did not, but which you really did.

The democratic party is all right after yet. We have in this County about two men who do not stand for Buchanan, and we do not claim them as belonging to this County, as one of them is a doctor, a young man who recently came here and other
lies out in the country, owner of no property.

The other is a young married man about 28 came here about two years ago, he has no trade or profession and no money. They lately gave him the Post Office, took it away from your friend (Svaltvor) but he is so little liked and so much suspected that he could not give security except from among the Republicans, and they would not go on his bond except on the condition that he would a deputy (a Republican) who should have the whole control of the office. The thing was done, a Republican has the office, and S. B. Conroy (the T. B.) is scarce ever seen near it.

Any document you

May send one at any time will be received with pleasure, and I would esteem it a favor if you would place me on the list of those to whom you send valuable documents.

The people here have never yet heard the reason why you were not here on the 29th Oct. will you please let me know that I may inform the many who are frequently asking me,

Very truly,

[Signature]
Dec. 13th, 1858

Invitation to lecture repeated &c. with a desire to know if accepted.

S. W. cor. 42 frboble St.
Philadelphia, Nov. 13th 1858

Mr. Stephen A. Douglas
U. S. S.

Dear Sir,

Believing that your stay at New Orleans would be protracted, I sent a letter to you on Saturday last directed to that city the following day I learned that you had left on route for Washington. Hence this second letter. In behalf of the committee on lecture of the Harrison Literary Institute, I would beg you to kindly inform me if your engagements will permit you to deliver a lecture before our Institute Thursday evening January 31st at Musick's house hall. From the circular, I have taken the liberty to enclose you will be enabled to ascertain the nature and objects of our institute. Hoping to receive an immediate reply I remain yours,

Very Respectfully,

F. C. Hoeburger
Chrmld
Jacksonville, Ills.
Dec. 13th, 1858

Hon. S. A. Douglas,

Dear Sir,

Will you have the kindness to send me a copy of the U.S. Coast Survey Trifid Map?

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Jacksonville
Illinois
Dec 13th 1868

Want copy of Coast Survey Report.
Charles Rockwell
Sept. 21st 1858
Meridian
New York
Dec. 12th 1858

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Meridian Dec. 13th 1858

Hon. S. A. Douglas
Sir: I wish you to send me some speeches this winter that you think will be of benefit to the cause of democratic principles. I live in one of two towns that is Republican, and they are made up of the democrats. I think there might be some good done in the way of circulation some speeches and other matter that might be sent from you. The majority in this town think like your cause. I think you had taken in regard to the Kansas question and a democrat and altho' in one or two I hope the democrats will put down this sectional party, republicans I hope that Stephen A. Douglas will be the next president of this noble
and great Republic—
I heartily congratulate you in
your great and noble success in
Illinois & hope that you may
be prosperous in all your under-
takings this winter. I live in
the County of Hon. W. H Bond
the Republicans in this part think
that he will be the Candidate
for the next President.
I hope that he will be the one
so that we can show him the
Same as we did Henry Clay.

This from your in confidence,

Cha Rockwell
Dept P.M.
To Hon. Stephen A. Douglas, Esq.

Having been heretofore a resident of Pike Co., Illinois, a supporter of your views and the principles of popular sovereignty, I claim the right to ask you to place me upon your mail list and will be pleased to receive anything you may have to send.

Chas. H. Gibbs, of Griggsville, is yet more the downfall of abolitionism in this State. Respectfully,

R. F. Wilcox
P. P. Milcor
Atchison
Kansas.
Dec 13, 1858
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Gainesville Ill Dec 19th 1858
Hon S. D. Douglas Washington

Dear Sir,

I address you with some reluctance being a stranger to you personally but I trust you will excuse the liberty I have taken. I wish to express to you my dissatisfaction at a result of your contest with the North of the presidency in your own state. I am to say to you that your views on all abiding questions of the day are taking (to use an expression from) the "Not Cooler." When you and Mr. Buchanan differed in your Kansas policy I was almost the only advocate of the doctrine of "Popular Sovereignty." in this County and I was almost considered an abolitionist for expressing the opinion that you stood on the purely tenant Democratic ground. Now I may say that a large majority of the people and myself, and unanimously, in your favor and all the intelligent Democrats who do not belong to the office holders clique regard you as the man who in 1860 can defeat the armies of Black Republicanism and as such I believe you ought to receive the nomination of the Charleston Convention. The Ross and Smith of the Democratic party in this region are with you...and your party will still like "Owning God."
Swallow up all others. Some few newspapers in this State who live on Government Party, like the Helene. State Rights Temporarily. May continue but they have mostly dried up. and are now coming out on the

Let me to say in conclusion, that I shall do all in my power to uphold and advance the national party of Policy. 

My principal object in writing to you is that I wish to keep you posted on the political questions of the day, and more especially I wish to be thoroughly informed as to all the

of the great questions now before the people. I believe rights of popular sovereignty, as held by you and as you are distributing different public documents to your friends in relation to this and other subjects, I would request you of the desirability of doing so. Not engaging all that you would please me some occasionally as many and such as you think proper. For which I shall be thankful. and I trust make good use of. I have thought considerably for different topics, and have written several articles in defence of your policy and shall continue to do so. So I was off a few miles since the editorial management of a Douglas paper in this State, but the other newspapers at that time did not permit me to accept it. thank you now. As this is yet in the cause of two or three.

J. B. Williamson
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Fairview
Greene County
Arkansas
Decr 19/58

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